

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2023
CEN63 — NEW LITERATURES IN ENGLISH

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

1. What is Sphinx in Egyptian myth?
2. What is the poem 'Your Children are not your children' all about?
3. With whom did the West Indians have bitter experience?
4. Why does the cowman take to drinking?
5. What does Achebe say about his readers?
6. Name the autobiography of Sally from which 'A Black Grandmother' was taken from?
7. Who is Amusa?
8. What is the egungun part of?

9. Who is pregnant when the novel 'Cry, the Beloved Country' ends?

10. Who dies on confirmation day in Ndotsheni?

SECTION B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

11. (a) Give a brief analysis of the poem *Australia*.

Or

(b) Explain the poetic devices used in the poem *Your Children Are Not Your Children*.

12. (a) How is man justified in the poem *A Far Cry From Africa*?

Or

(b) Discuss briefly the cowman as the representation of the colonized.

13. (a) State the optimistic ideas of Achebe in 'Novelist as teacher'.

Or

(b) Why did Sally's mother dissuade her from studying painting? How did she try to persuade Sally?

14. (a) What is the central conflict in the *Play Death And King's Horseman*?

Or

(b) Write a short note on the ritualistic suicide mentioned in *Death And King's Horseman*.

15. (a) Explain the irony of Arthur Jarvis' death.

Or

(b) Sketch the character of Getrude in *Cry, The Beloved Country*.

SECTION C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

16. Explain why A.D. Hope questioned the idea that Australia is civilized.

17. Write a detailed summary of the poem 'A Far cry from Africa'.

18. How was the theme of aboriginal identity employed in *A Black Grandmother*?

19. Describe in detail the circumstances leading to the death of Eleson's son.

20. Draft a detailed essay on the theme of the novel 'Cry, the Beloved Country'.